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The History of Christmas Banquets and the Anoka County Radio Club

Henry Schülze ,WØHMX, was president of the Anoka County Radio Club in 1958 and proposed having an annual Christmas Banquet .He made the arrangements and the first one was held December 5 th ,1958 , at the Castle Falls Cafe in Anoka with help from WØGYH and the Club treasury .

The second Christmas Banquet was held December 3, 1960 at the Bungalow in Robbinsdale.

The third annual Christmas Banquet was held at the Bungalow in Robbinsdale December 12 th, 1961 . Henry Schulze ,WØHMX made the arrangements .

The fourth annual Anoka County Radio Club Christmas Banquet was at the Chalet in Robbinsdale on December 3 , 1962 .There were 38 Hams and XYLs present

The fifth annual Banquet was at the Chalet in Robbinsdale on December 7 , 1963 and my camera did not work !

The sixth annual Banquet was on December 3, 1964 at the Bungalow in Robbinsdale .Henry Schulz ,WØHMX was president and made the arrangements.

The seventh annual Banquet was on December 9, 1965 at the Bungalow and WØHMX made the arrangements .

The eighth annual Anoka County Radio Club Christmas Banquet was held at the Bungalow in Robbinsdale on December 8 th , 1966 .It was Don Marcy, WØHEN s 74 th Birthday and we had a three layer cake for him .

The ninth annual Christmas banquet was at the Bungalow on December 7 th 1967 and it was Barb Altenwegs birthday and Ralph WAØIRE had a cake for Barb .Betty ,XYL, WØJHS cut the cake into exactly 40 pieces -one for each Ham and XYL present .

The tenth annual Banquet was held at the Bungalow December 13, 1968 and Harold Norman WØTZA -AFØTZA was Minnesota SMD and conducted a recruiting drive for new USAF MARS members.

The eleventh Annual Banquet was held at the Golden Fox in Brooklyn Park on December 2 , 1969 and was a special occasion. Bruce Rowlings ,ZL 1 WB was visiting the USA and staying with us and he addressed the group .

The 12 th annual Banquet was held at the Golden Fox in December 1970 .

The 13 th annual Banquet was also held at Golden Fox on December 16, 1971. The Twins brought Dennis Klein, WBØDHF , the " Music Man " and he played his Banjo for us . Art Mundy ,WØYFZ entertained with a skit called, " The Little Juggler " . Fun for all !

The 14 th annual Banquet was at Majestic Oaks on December 1, 1972 . We had a cake for Old Man Hen on his 80 th birthday . It had " 88 to Old Man Hen on his 80 th " on the top . Charlie Compton , WØBUO gave us the word about the ARRL activities and John Fox , WØLER told us about Oscar VI .

The 15 th annual Banquet was held at Majestic Oaks on December 7 , 1973. Charlie Compton , WØBUO reported on ARRL activities . Bob Clew AFBØJAR told us about Air Force Mars traffic handling and South East Asia traffic from Vietnam and Thailand .

The 16 th annual Banquet was held at Majestic Oaks on December 6 th 1974 . John Fox talked about the Oscar Program . Bert Western , WØSER, Charter member of the Anoka County Radio Club was there and it was good to see Bert once again, along with John Lonsky, WØBSI another Charter member .

The 17 th Annual Banquet was held at Majestic Oaks on December 6, 1975 and George Collier , WØEG and XYL Elaine were there .

The 18 th annual Christmas Banquet was held at Majestic Oaks on December 4 , 1976. John Fox was president and reported on the Oscar project .

The 19 th Annual Banquet was held at Majestic Oaks on December 3 , 1977 . Russ Leimbach then WBØTQW and Xyl Marian were there . Dick Mack had just gotten his new call, NØRM .

The 20 th Annual Christmas Banquet was held at Majestic Oaks on December 2, 1978 . Betty Fox , XYL WØLER won the big prize . George Lobb , WBØUTK , was the new president . George Collier , WØEG turned time back with a talk on Amateur Radio in the 30 s .

The 21 st annual banquet was held at Majestic Oaks on December 1, 1979. George Lobb , WBØUTK, president, presented George Collier , WØEG with a plaque for meritorious service during the 1979 Field Day operation . Our Motto , "Let George Do It . "

The 22 nd annual Banquet was held at Majestic Oaks on December 6 1980 . George Collier , WØEG and Russ Leimbach , WBØTQW took care of the money and registration .

The 23 rd annual Banquet was at the Seasons Restaurant on December 5 th 1981 . Dan Gendreau , ADØT was president and Ted Miksza , KPØU was secretary . George Collier was treasurer .

The 24 th annual Christmas Banquet was again held at the Seasons Restaurant on December 4 , 1982. Mark Brassil , NØCCI and XYL were there .

The 25 th Banquet was also held at the Seasons Restaurant on December 3 1983. Bud Laferty , WØUBT was there .

The 26 th Annual Anoka County Radio Club Christmas Banquet was held at Greenhaven in Anoka on December 8 , 1984 .Phil Nellis , the Rogers Traveling Troubadour entertained on the accordion .

The 27 th annual Banquet was also held at Green haven on December 7 , 1985 . It was Barbs Birthday and Ralph had a big Bi rthday Cake with 88 on the top .My cameras failed to record the event . Stuck on Bulb !

The 28 th Annual Christmas Banquet was held at Greenhaven in Anoka on December 7, 1986.It was a success thanks to John Larson ,K6DMO,President and Dick Klevena ,W0966 ,treasurer and promotor .

The 29 th Annual Christmas Banquet was at the Seasons Restaurant on December 4 , 1987 . K6DMO,John Larson was president. We were entertained by the Traveling Troubadors on Violin and Accordion . WA0IRE ,Ralph Altenweg ,won the 1987 Handbook .

The 30 th annual Christmas Banquet was held at Tequilaberries in Coon Rapids on December 2, 1988 .John Larson ,K6DMO was president.Our thanks to Mary Kay Olson ,N0HCJ ,for all her efforts in making the Banquet a success .

The 31 st Annual Anoka County Radio Club Christmas Banquet was held at Requilabetties in Cpon Rapids on December 2 , 1989. Ashley Waters ,WA5NNO was president . Again , Mary Kay Olson ,N0HCJ did a fine job in organizing the banquet . The fine prizes handed out added to the fun gathering.

From the Old Albums of W0JHS

Phil DeJarlais

The 32 nd annual Anoka County Radio Club Christmas party was held at Twquiasberries in CoonRapids on December 15 th 1990. Wild Willy,W10J was president and Mary Kay Olson N0HCJ made the arrangements .It was a fun party for all .

The 33 rd annual Anoka CountyRadio Club Christmas party was held at Tequilaberries in CoonRapids on December 28 th , 1991 . Cirt Koch ,KB0MB was president and Mary Kay Olson ,N0HCJ made the arrangements . Fine food and good fellowship was success....

The 34 th annual Anoka County Christmas Radio Club party was held on December 4 th , 1992 at Tequilaberries . Bob Cordell , KB0GIP was president and again Mary Kay Olson , N0HCJ made all the arrangements and a good time was had by all .

The 35 th annual Anoka CountyRadio Club Christmas Banquet was held at Tequilaberries in Coon Rapids on December 10 th , 1993 . Bob Cordell , KB0GIP was presidnet and Mary Kay Olson ,N0HCJ made the arrangements . Reortts by,Art Mundy and Jim Delaney indicated bat all had a good time once more .